Grace Episcopal Church

Daily Bible Reading – Read the Bible in One Year

Reflection Class: **Sunday, August 24, 2014;** 9:10 am – 9:40 am, Grace Parish Hall Thoughts, Reflections, Insights, Questions of readings to date: Day 229 – Day 235

**Prayer:** I thank you father for you are good, there is no evil in you. You are my strength, you have always been there for me and I know you will always be there. You are the same, yesterday, today and forever. I take refuge in your safety. Grant me grace in everything I do. In Jesus name. Amen <a href="http://praying-olatubosun.blogspot.com/2011/05/nahum-17.html">http://praying-olatubosun.blogspot.com/2011/05/nahum-17.html</a>, modified

## Readings:

Sunday | 17 August 2014 | Day 229 | **Obadiah** 1-21 Monday | 18 August 2014 | Day 230 | **Jonah** 1:1 – 2:10 Tuesday | 19 August 2014 | Day 231 | Jonah 3:1 – 4:11 Wednesday | 20 August 2014 | Day 232 | **Micah** 1:1 – 4:13 Thursday | 21 August 2014 | Day 233 | Micah 5:1 – 7:20 Friday | 22 August 2014 | Day 234 | **Nahum** 1:1 – 3:19 Saturday | 23 August 2014 | Day 235 | **Habakkuk** 1:1 – 3:19

## **Stream or Thoughts** on the text:

Day 229: Obadiah: Edom will pay. Israel will triumph.

**Day 230:** How do you run away from what God calls you to do? Jonah can't. How can you run away from God? You can't. Big Fish shows up. Jonah thanks God for deliverance from the belly of the fish.

**Day 231:** What is it like for you to go beyond your prejudices and do the will of the Lord? Jonah finally goes to the Ninevehites and calls them to repentance, 120,000 plus some animals repent and are saved. Jonah is mad that God is good and goes and pouts. God provides for his comforts and then teaches him a lesson.

**Day 232:** Micah proclaims judgment, then doom, denouncing social evils, the remnant of Israel, wicked rulers and prophets, peace and security through obedience, restoration from the exile. How are you a remnant of believers proclaiming the word of the Lord?

**Day 233:** In the context of being attacked, Israel hears of the new ruler coming from O Bethlehem, Micah continues to bemoan enemies, Israel's lack of faith, judgment, corruption in Jerusalem, a lament for the society, then closing with a piece of liturgy...

**Day 234:** a warning to Nineveh of an impending invasion unless they mend their ways. "Devastation, desolation, and destruction!" Book uses many images to make its point.

**Day 235:** Why is evil allowed in the world? Habakkuk begins by complaining to God, God replies, Woe to the Wicked, H prays waiting for the day of calamity, trust and joy in the midst of trouble.

## Prayer

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Dave's notes, reflection, background, etc. at blog site http://gracefullbible.com